

Welcome to Year 6

Teachers



Mr Newman 6N



Mrs Keynes & Mrs Ross 6KR



Teaching Assistants



Mrs Dennis



Miss Cattrall

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Welcome

Welcome to Year 6! What a fabulous start to the term with all children embracing the challenges of Year 6. We have both been incredibly impressed with the positive attitude and desire to work hard that they have all demonstrated.

Meet the team

Class 6N is taught by Mr Newman

Class 6KR is taught by Mrs Keynes (Monday - Wednesday) and Mrs Ross (Thursday & Friday)

Our teaching assistants in Year 6 are Mrs Dennis and Miss Cattrall

Learning

In Term 1 our enquiry is 'How can we learn from the past?'

This means we are learning about WW2 and how Britain coped with the onset of war.

Planning, Preparation and Assessment

All teachers are entitled to 10% Planning, Preparation and Assessment time (PPA).

PPA time for Year 6 teachers is on Thursday afternoon in Terms 1, 2 and 3. During these sessions your children will be taught by Mr Seaborne (P.E) and Mrs Best (Music).

Overview of a typical day in Year 6

Morning Maths as the children arrive

Maths

Break

Spelling

English

Lunch

Whole Class Reading

Science or foundation subjects including PSHE, RE, French, Music, Geography, History, PE, Computing or Design Technology

Drinks and Snacks

Please send the children with water and either fruit or vegetable as a snack for morning playtimes.

Behaviour and Rewards

In line with our behaviour policy, the traffic lights will continue to be used. We will continue to use house points with their houses and winners will be announced in the Monday whole school assembly. Star of the Week certificates will also be used to reward children.

If we need to contact you about a behaviour issue, we will phone you if it is not possible to speak in person.

Toilets

Key Stage 2 - We encourage the children to use the toilet at playtimes.

Please let us know if there are any specific needs.

Supporting your child

Reading at home: - this is imperative and needs to be done nightly to build stamina in preparation for secondary school.

Homework: children will be set homework on Mondays and should be handed in the following Monday. All work will be marked with your child in class – try to ensure this learning is as independent as possible.

Spellings: will be given out and are also available on the website. The children will be tested weekly on a Friday. Please continue to practise times tables every week to ensure fluency to support the Year 6 maths curriculum.

Equipment

Water bottles, waterproof coats, reading books and reading record books should be brought to school every day. In Year 6, children do not need to bring in their own pencil cases as equipment is provided.

Please ensure all items of clothing and belongings are named.

P.E.

Our days are **Thursday** and **Friday** and children should come into school in their PE kit.

Long hair must be tied back (as it should be in class) and earrings must be removed or covered with tape provided from home.

Inhalers

If your child needs an inhaler please check they have an in date one in school and that you have filled out an indemnity form. This can be found on the school website via the following link

<https://www.newbridge.bathnes.sch.uk/school-life/useful-forms>

Volunteers

If you would like to support with reading, maths or have any other skills that you feel would support the children's learning, then please let us know. We would really appreciate the extra help and know from first-hand experience, that children benefit greatly from extra input from an adult.

If you do have time to volunteer, please could you get in touch with the office as we need to ensure that all DBS checks are up to date.

Website

All information, including dates, homework, our curriculum etc., is available on the school's website: <https://www.newbridge.bathnes.sch.uk>/Please write to the class teacher if you do not want your child's photograph to be used on the website.

Contacting us

If you wish to speak to us about any worries or concerns, however small, please do not hesitate to contact the school office on enquiries@newbridge.bathnes.sch.uk

We will endeavour to give your child as many opportunities as we can this year and are looking forward to seeing each of them shine as they always have done!

Best wishes,

The Year 6



'Must Reads'

Again this year, we are working on fostering a love of reading throughout the school. To this end we have chosen six books that we would like every child to read or have read to them over the year. These books have been carefully chosen by their class teachers and it is hoped that every child will, by July, have read every one.

Thank you very much for your anticipated support!
The English team

In school we share a Newbridge Must Read Book every term.
The list of the books chosen for Year 6 is as follows



YEAR SIX

The Boy Who Flew by Fleur Hitchcock

**Ancient Warriors
by Iris Volant and Joe Lillington**

Pax by Sara Pennypacker

Rooftoppers by Katherine Rundell

Hidden Figures by Margot Lee Shetterly

**When Hitler Stole Pink Rabbit
by Judith Kerr**